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WEARE BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES April 13, 2009

PRESENT: Thomas Clow, Chairman; Keith Lacasse, Selectman, Donna Osborne; Selectman; James Donison, Selectman.

RECORDING SECRETARY: Thomas Clow

GUESTS: Carl Knapp, Tina Connor, Elayne Pierson

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN: The Board signed forms presented by Finance Administrator Tina Connor to change ownership of a deferred compensation plan for a former employee. All contributions to the plan had been made by the employee with no matching funds by the Town. A notarized form was needed in order for the former employee to access the funds.

RECLAMATION BIDS: Carl Knapp presented the Board with bids for the reclamation of approximately 7500 linear feet of old pavement on Thorndike Road. Bids ranged from \$1.20 to \$0.70 per square yard. Selectman Lacasse moved to award the low bid to JGE for \$0.70 per square yard. Selectman Osborne seconded the motion. Passed 3-0-1 with Selectman Donison abstaining.

PAVING BIDS: Carl Knapp presented paving bids to the Board. He had received six bids for 3500 tons of pavement. The prices were presented as "price per ton in place." The two lowest bids were very close but broken down in different ways. The Board delayed action on accepting the bids so that Mr. Knapp could get clarification from the low bidder.

BRUSH CHIPPER: Carl Knapp said he had contacted five companies for prices on renting, or renting to own, a 12 inch chipper to be used for cleaning up roadside brush – particularly from the December ice storm. The chipper would replace an existing piece of equipment that is 20 years old and doesn't have the capacity to handle the needs of the cleanup. Two companies responded, one with prices on a More Bark of \$2,750.00 per month rental and the other on a Brush Bandit for \$2,400.00 per month. Each had rent to own options but with different terms. There was discussion of FEMA money and whether those funds could be used for the chipper. There was also discussion of whether the chipper would be in place of the one turned down by

voters on the March Warrant. Mr. Knapp explained that they were two different pieces of equipment. The chipper under discussion was to replace a worn out piece of equipment and would not have the capacity to do the work at the Transfer Station. A brush grinder for the Transfer Station would need a capacity of 18 to 20 inches and would cost \$60,000.00 used. Selectman Lacasse asked what was done with the chips when brush and trees were ground. Mr. Knapp said they were hauled to the pit at the Transfer Station. No market for them has been found to this point. The Board will make a decision on the chipper after the April 27, 2009 Public Hearing on accepting the FEMA funds.

MOVING OF SERVER: The Board reviewed the cost of a cabinet, shelves and ventilation fan to leave the computer system's server in the copy room where it now sits. After reviewing the cost, the Board decided to stand by its motion at the last meeting to move the server to a downstairs room at a cost not to exceed \$500.00

LANDSCAPE PROPOSAL: The Board reviewed an updated landscape proposal from Margo's Garden to care for the areas around several town buildings. The new proposal included the Safety Complex. Selectman Osborne moved to approve the proposal and to ask the Trustees of the Trust Funds to fund it at a cost of no more than \$3,000.00 from the Emma Sawyer Trust. Selectman Donison seconded the motion. Passed 4-0.

ADVERTISING OF TA POSITION: Chairman Clow reviewed the advertising of the town administrator position and asked if the Board was in favor of doing a second round of advertising in the New Hampshire Sunday News and Sunday Monitor. Selectman Donison moved to place an ad in the April 19 issue of the New Hampshire Sunday News. Selectman Osborne seconded the motion. Passed 3-1.

MANIFEST: Chairman Clow moved to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sign manifests and order the Deputy Treasurer to sign checks dated April 16, 2009 in the following amounts:

Accounts Payable	\$ 299,315.92 (John Stark \$250,000)
Gross Payroll	\$ 40,652.03 (Includes Spec.Details, Taxes, Credit Union, Fire Monthly)
TOTAL	\$339,967.95

Selectman Lacasse seconded the motion. Passed 4-0.

Adjournment – 8:30 p.m.

A True Record

Thomas S. Clow
